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Cc: Smith, Paula[Smith.Paula@epa.gov]; McClain-Vanderpool, Lisa[Mcclain-Vanderpool.Lisa@epa.gov]; Wharton, Steve[Wharton.Steve@epa.gov]
From: Williams, Laura
Sent: Wed 10/14/2015 9:34:22 PM
Subject: RE: Associated Press (DDL 11am Eastern tomorrow): Upper Animas watershed evaluation

I forwarded to Steve Wharton as remedial has been working on an Upper Animas watershed assessment/investigation. - lw

From: Mylott, Richard
Sent: Wednesday, October 14, 2015 3:21 PM
To: Ostrander, David; Williams, Laura
Cc: Smith, Paula; McClain-Vanderpool, Lisa
Subject: FW: Associated Press (DDL 11am Eastern tomorrow): Upper Animas watershed evaluation

Per Lisa's message below, can you help with the AP questions on GKM and "long term strategies" below? I also have a separate question from Channel 7 asking if the treatment plant is operational yet...

Seems like general response 1.) outlining next steps in dialogue with DRMS and CDPHE and 2.) referencing what types of information we will be evaluating with state agencies/community for longer term would be sufficient....?

From: McClain-Vanderpool, Lisa
Sent: Wednesday, October 14, 2015 2:56 PM
To: Smith, Paula; Mylott, Richard
Subject: RE: Associated Press (DDL 11am Eastern tomorrow): Upper Animas watershed evaluation

Left Ostrander a message.

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Sent: Wednesday, October 14, 2015 2:49 PM

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Can you shepherd through?

- Paula

From: StClair, Christie

Sent: Wednesday, October 14, 2015 2:42 PM

To: Ostrander, David; McGrath, Shaun; Stalcup, Dana; Williams, Laura

Cc: Grantham, Nancy; Smith, Paula; Deitz, Randy; Bassler, Rachel; Cohen, Nancy

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All,

Dan Elliott from AP is planning to do a story tomorrow morning saying the temporary plant is about to start up, and looking at possible longer-term solutions.

He says that when he asked CDPHE about "convening a conversation on long-term mitigation strategies," they seemed to know little about it.

He also mentioned our Sept. 23 response to one of his questions: "This system is temporary. Long term treatment will need to be decided after a more detailed evaluation of mine discharge sources in the Upper Animas watershed." He's asking if EPA is currently conducting a detailed evaluation of mine discharge sources in the area, or plans to conduct such an evaluation.

Can you help me develop a response? His deadline is 11am Eastern tomorrow, but can add info into the story after that if necessary. Please loop in as needed.

Thanks,

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